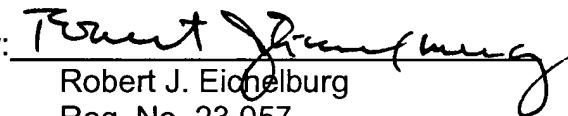


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SUBMISSION OF MARKED UP VERSION OF AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS
PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.121

Applicant submits the following marked up version of amendments to the claims pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.121 to accompany the amendment in response to the June 27, 2002 Office Communication concerning this application.

IN THE CLAIMS:

57. (Amended Once) A substrate coated with an essentially water-free composition, wherein said composition comprises a superabsorbent polymer in combination with a compound wherein said compound comprises a petroleum lubricant, synthetic lubricant, grease, or solid lubricant, wherein said compound optionally

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contains a lubricant additive[.], and wherein the superabsorbent polymer absorbs greater than 100 times its weight in water.

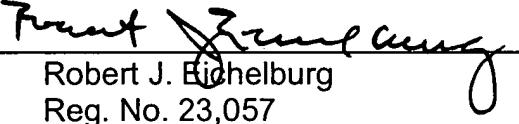
67. (Amended Once) A method of protecting a substrate from the affects of water or water migration comprising coating said substrate with an essentially water-free composition, wherein said composition comprises a superabsorbent polymer in combination with a second compound wherein said second compound is a petroleum lubricant, synthetic lubricant, grease, or solid lubricant, and wherein said second compound optionally contains a lubricant additive[.], and wherein the superabsorbent polymer absorbs greater than 100 times its weight in water.

Conclusions

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